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**BOROUGH OF SCARBOROUGH**  
**PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

**Staff**

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District Medical Officer	)	
(No. 10 District of the	)	
North Riding County	)	DR. W. G. EVANS, M. A.,
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	)	J. PINKSTONE (Pupil Inspector)
 Superintendent, Medical	)	
Baths and Public Slipper	)	T. W. WILD, M. C. S. P.
Baths	)	
 Chief Clerk           ...	...	WILLIAM C. TOFT.

In the Borough, the following Committees are concerned with matters of Public Health, viz:-

The Health Committee.

The Housing Committee.

The Local Area Health Sub-Committee for No. 10 District of the North Riding County Council. On this Committee Scarborough Borough Council is represented by five of the Council's Members.

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Health Department,  
Town Hall,  
Scarborough.

31st July, 1964.

Mr. Chairman and Members  
of the Health Committee.

The vital statistics for 1963 as shown in the special table show a number of marginal changes some favourable and some unfavourable. None of the changes are marked enough to be the subject of concern or satisfaction.

There are, however, in other parts of the report points which are matters of concern. The number of cases of lung cancer rose sharply to 32. This is the highest figure yet recorded and more than double the figure for 1955.

Tuberculosis, in spite of the dramatic reduction in the mortality rate during the last few years, is still a serious public health problem and we continue to get a steady level of primary notifications. It must be stressed that tuberculosis is a highly infectious disease particularly dangerous to children. The reservoirs of infection are frequently found in older people, and migrant workers commonly found in a seaside resort such as this seem to be affected more frequently than the average.

I drew attention to this problem in my report for 1962 and I would again emphasise the potential value of the annual M.M.R. surveys, which take place early in October each year, in the prevention of tuberculosis. One active case found means half a dozen cases prevented.

I am,  
Mr. Chairman, Miss Slarke and  
Gentlemen,  
Your obedient servant,

W.G. EVANS.

M.A., M.B., B.Chir., M.R.C.S.,  
L.R.C.P., D.P.H.  
Medical Officer of Health.





**BOROUGH OF SCARBOROUGH**

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1963.**

**Statistics and Social Conditions**

The following is a summary of the statistics and social conditions:-

Marriages	...	...	...	...	...	302
Marriage rate per 1,000 population	...	...	...	...	...	7.2
Number of inhabited properties including flats (December 1963)						14,068
" " uninhabited houses December, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	479
Rateable value at 31st December, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	£1,893,589
Estimated sum represented by a penny rate						£7,566
Number of new houses and flats built by the Corporation				...	...	33
" " " houses and flats erected privately	...	...	...	...	...	93
" " " flats, by conversion, privately	...	...	...	...	...	36
Hours of bright sunshine (On the 2nd and 3rd June, 1963, 15.5 hours bright sunshine were recorded)	...	...	...	...	...	1330.5
Total rainfall	...	...	...	...	...	24.70 ins.
Prevailing wind	...	...	...	...	...	South-West

**UNEMPLOYMENT**

Maximum total on the Unemployment Register was in February, 1963 when the figures were as follows:-

<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
1,232 *	323

\* (These figures include "Temporarily stopped" workers i.e. Fishermen and Building Trade workers.)

# Vital Statistics,

Year	Population	Births - Live and Still	Live Birth Rate per 1,000 Pop. adjusted	Deaths	Rate per 1,000 pop. adjusted	TOTAL Infant Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	Still-Births	Rate per 1,000 Total Births
1963	41,930	636	17.43	745	12.6	12	19.2	11	17.3
1962	41,900	619	15.22	658	11.9	7	11.6	17	27.46
1961	41,830	613	15.17	714	13.4	13	21.7	14	22.83
1960	43,230	622	14.93	706	12.9	12	19.7	13	20.9
England and Wales (provisional) 1963		-	18.2	-	12.2	-	20.9	-	17.3

## Births

### Total Births

	Live		Total	Still		Total	GRAND TOTAL
	Male	Female		Male	Female		
Legitimate	293	275	568	2	8	10	578
Illegitimate	32	25	57	-	1	1	58
	325	300	625	2	9	11	636

Illegitimate live births per cent of  
total live births ... .. 9.12%

### Infant Mortality Rates

Total infant deaths per 1000 total live births ... 19.2

Legitimate infant deaths per 1000  
Legitimate live births ... .. 21.1

Illegitimate infant deaths per 1000 illegitimate  
live births ... .. Nil

Neo-natal Mortality Rate (death under  
4 weeks per 1000 total live births) ... .. 6.4

Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (death under  
1 week per 1000 total live births) ... .. 6.4

Perinatal Mortality Rate (still-births and  
deaths under 1 week combined per 1000  
total live and still-births) ... .. 23.6

Maternal Mortality ... .. Nil

997 births took place in the Borough in 1963 (compared with 945 in 1962).

Of the 997 births, 613 related to Borough residents (compared with 608 in 1962).

Of the 613 births in Scarborough to residents, 157 were born at home, 438 in hospital (72%) and 18 in private nursing homes. In addition 23 babies were born away from Scarborough to mothers normally resident in Scarborough.

### Deaths

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Deaths from all causes	356	389	745



Causes of Death	Males -- Age Groups								
	0-1	1-4	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis, Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other Infective & Parasitic Diseases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
" " Lung, bronchus	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	10	12
" " Breast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" " Uterus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	10	10
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diabetes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vascular lessions of nervous system	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	7
Coronary disease, angina	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	22	37
Hypertension with Heart Disease	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Heart Disease	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	3	12
Other circulatory diseases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
Influenza	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Bronchitis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
Other diseases of respiratory system	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ulcer of stomach & duodenum	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Gastritis, Enteritis & Diarrhoea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nephritis and Nephrosis	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Congenital Malformations	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	3
Motor Vehicle Accidents	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	2	0
All Other Accidents	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1
Suicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	7	0	1	2	3	6	14	70	103



		Females -- Age Groups										
75 <sup>+</sup>	TOTAL	0-1	1-4	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75 <sup>+</sup>	TOTAL
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	8
3	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	6	2	-	10
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	1	7
10	33	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	6	4	15	29
1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	3
1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
23	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	19	53	77
35	99	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	26	31	64
3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	6
41	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	14	83	103
4	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
10	14	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	2	9
5	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	11	18
1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
3	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
-	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3
2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
4	12	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	4	6	19
-	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	3
3	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	5	7
-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	3
150	356	5	3	-	-	-	4	11	47	96	223	389

## INQUESTS

The Borough Coroner held 40 inquests in 1963 relating to the deaths of 20 residents, and 20 non-residents. In addition 64 deaths were Certified by the Coroner, after post-mortem without inquest.

The following table shows the causes of death and the age groups of the 20 residents upon whom inquests were held: -

	0-1	1-4	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65	Total
Falls at home	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6
Other Falls	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	3
Gas Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	5
Drowning	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Road Accidents	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	3
Works Accidents	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Barbiturates	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	-	1	-	-	2	4	12	20

## INFANT MORTALITY

Of the 12 infant deaths, 4 did not survive the first month of life. The sub-joined table gives details of the deaths.

Cause	Under 1 month	One month to 1 year	Total
Anencephaly	1	-	1
Atelectasis and Prematurity	2	1	3
Broncho-pneumonia	-	2	2
Staphylococcal pneumonia	-	1	1
Congenital defects	1	2	3
Haemophilus influenzae	-	1	1
Hirschsprungs disease	-	1	1
TOTALS	4	8	12

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notifications of infectious diseases received during 1963 and the previous 3 years are as follows: -

	1963	1962	1961	1960
Scarlet Fever	7	13	7	17
Whooping Cough	36	1	43	41
Measles	388	37	766	12
Dysentery	1	2	11	16
Erysipelas	2	1	1	1
Meningococcal infection	2	1	1	2
Puerperal Pyrexia	7	4	4	4
Pneumonia	8	19	26	13
Food Poisoning	1	56	6	4
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	10	11	13	11
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	2	1	3	1
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	1

### Food Poisoning

One case of food poisoning - affecting one establishment was notified. The agent causing the disease was identified as staphylococcal aureus.

### Tuberculosis

There was 1 death from pulmonary tuberculosis during the year and 10 new cases were notified compared with 11 in 1962.

The Mass Radiography Unit paid its annual visit in October and the following tables, supplied by the Superintendent Radiographer shows the results of its work.

The unit was located at The Medical Baths, The Crescent, by permission of the Borough Council and a special session was held at Eastfield Clinic by permission of the North Riding County Council.



# SUMMARY

Group	Male	Female	Totals
Public Sessions	906	1287	2193
Industrial Groups	672	371	1043
Teachers	52	51	103
Students etc.,	51	46	97
Mental Patients	-	1	1
Contacts	7	14	21
Hospital, Nurses and other staffs	26	99	125
Food & Drink Handlers	18	43	61
Residents in Homes	-	2	2
Totals	1732	1914	3646

Number of cases referred to Chest Clinic - 55.

## Diagnoses.

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Active Pulmonary Tuberculosis	-	-	-
Inactive " "	1	6	7
Intrathoracic Growths	-	-	-
Heart Lesions	3	-	3
Bronchiectasis	2	2	4
Other abnormalities	7	7	14
No abnormality detected			27
Total			55

The aforementioned figures include Cloughton, Scalby and Seamer.



# Immunisation and Vaccination

## (a) Smallpox.

Records relating to the vaccination of 177 residents under 18 years of age and the re-vaccination of 8 residents under 18 years of age were received during the year. Of the 177 primary vaccinations, 116 related to children under 1 year of age.

## (b) Poliomyelitis

Injections of Salk vaccine or doses of oral vaccine given during the year are set out in the following table:-

### Poliomyelitis Vaccination - Salk Vaccine

Class	Number of persons vaccinated with			
	1st Injection	2nd Injection	3rd Injection	4th Injection
Pre-school children	8	8	37	-
School children	-	-	8	1
Young persons 16 to 24	2	2	6	-
Other persons under 40	3	3	30	-
Total	13	13	81	1

### Oral Vaccine

	Number of persons receiving oral vaccine					
	1st dose	2nd dose	3rd dose	4th dose	1 dose of ORAL after 2 of Salk	1 dose of ORAL after 3 of Salk
Pre-school children	488	477	502	-	156	-
School children	72	75	71	3	85	164
Young persons aged 16 to 24	56	47	57	-	54	-
Other persons under 40 years of age	52	66	63	-	104	-
Hospital staff etc.	4	-	-	-	-	-
Total	672	665	693	3	399	164

(c) Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus.

The following table sets out information as to numbers of Scarborough children who completed immunisation viz:-

Diphtheria	Diphtheria, & Tetanus	Diphtheria Whooping Cough & Tetanus	Diphtheria, Whooping Cough & Tetanus & Polio	Tetanus	Booster Doses
1	9	400	15	5	147

Miscellaneous

(1) Medical and Slipper Baths

Report by the Superintendent for 1963.

MEDICAL BATHS

The Medical Baths Establishment is centrally situated on the East side of the Crescent, and stands in some  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres of garden. These are open to the public and provide a welcome area of quietness from the crowded streets and beaches during the summer months. The site is easily accessible from all parts of the town, and the enlarged forecourt provides reasonably adequate parking facilities for people visiting the establishment, now that the surrounding streets are generally car-lined.

There are three qualified physiotherapists on the staff and two hydrotherapy assistants; an additional part time physiotherapist is employed during the season. The number of patients referred by local medical practitioners and consultants has shown a steady and progressive increase over the last seven years. Clinics for the administration of Ultra Violet Ray to infants and school children referred by the Child Welfare and Education Authorities took place twice weekly.

Facilities were provided for the annual visit of the Mass Radiography Unit in October, when some 2,500 volunteers were X-Rayed.

SLIPPER BATHS

These are situated in Friars Entry behind the Old Hospital Buildings. During the last few years, a considerable number of older properties in the area have been demolished, and new flats and houses erected. The general effect of this, is to produce a continuing fall in attendance during the winter months.

Yearly figures of attendance

Physiotherapy	7206
Turkish Baths	2301
Clinic Ultra Violet Ray	148
Slipper Baths	6115
Total	<u>15,770</u>

Summary of Principal Cases Treated

Diseases of Rheumatic Aetiology	1,913
"    "    Respiratory System	12
"    "    Circulatory System	25
"    "    C.M. System	22
Herniation of Nucleus Pulposus	82
Soft Tissue Injuries	63
Fractures and other Bony Injuries	<u>17</u>
Total	<u>2, 134</u>

Summary of Treatments Given

Electro Therapy	2,001
Ultra Short Wave Diathermy	3,156
Massage & Exercises	2,476
Manipulation and Traction	492
Wax Baths & Hydrotherapy	476
Ultra Violet Ray Irradiation	<u>348</u>
Total	<u>8,949</u>



## (2) Water Supplies

The Water Engineer kindly provided the following information for inclusion in this Annual Report.

The Water Supply of the Borough of Scarborough is satisfactory both in quality and quantity; and does not show plumbosolvent properties.

### Bacteriological Tests.

A total of 411 samples were taken from the distribution system (mostly from consumer taps); of these 19 were found on the initial sampling, to be unsatisfactory but on subsequent re-sampling all were proved to be satisfactory. In no case was there any indication that the water supplied was anything but wholesome. Samples were also taken from the raw water at Cayton Bay and Irton.

### Chemical Analyses.

No samples were taken during 1963.

### Mains Supply.

Only 3 dwellings within the Borough do not have a mains water supply. This is due to topographical reasons. At 31st December, 1963 a total of 14,910 dwellinghouses, flats etc., were connected to the mains. It is estimated that a population of 10 has not a mains water supply, the rest of the population of the town being supplied from public water mains.



I am indebted to the Borough Engineer for the following information relating to Sewerage and Housing.

(3) Sewerage

Schemes commenced during the year: (1) New 36" dia. sewer, replacing existing 18" dia. sewer for distance of 700 yards in Weaponness Valley Road from Gas Works to Valley Road - commenced and completed. (2) New 18" dia. pipes completed to replace existing brick barrel sewer for distance of 90 yards in Elders Street, (3) 36" dia. brick barrel sewer re-pointed for distance of 470 yards in Wykeham Street.

During the year the construction of a new outfall at Marine Drive for Southern Area outfall sewer was completed.

Except for a number of isolated properties, no built-up areas within the Borough remain unserved by the public sewerage system. Approximately 10 houses (including some isolated farms) are not connected to sewers.

(4) Housing

Thirty-three new flats and houses were built by the Corporation during 1963 and 93 new houses and flats were built by private enterprise. In addition 36 new flats were developed by private enterprise by conversion during the year.

(5) Laboratory Facilities

The Public Health Laboratory Service at Hull provides laboratory services for the Health Department, submitting reports on pathological specimens, samples of milk, ice-cream and water.

(6) Byelaws

No new Byelaws were made by the Borough Council in 1963.

(7) National Assistance Act, 1948 - Section 47.

It was not necessary during the year to implement this section, which relates to the compulsory removal to hospital or other institution of persons not receiving proper care and attention in their own homes.

(8) National Assistance Act, 1948 - Section 50

Arrangements were made under this section on behalf of the Borough Council for the burial of one person for whom no other arrangements had been made for burial.

National Health Service Act, 1946

The following services are provided in the Borough by the North Riding of Yorkshire County Council as the Local Health Authority, viz:-

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Name of Clinic	Place where held	Day and Time of Meeting
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ANTE-NATAL CLINICS

Scarborough	Roscoe Rooms, Roscoe Street	Tuesday and Friday weekly, 2.0 p.m.
"	Westway, Eastfield	Tuesday weekly, 2 p.m.

POST-NATAL CLINIC

Scarborough	Roscoe Rooms, Roscoe Street	Friday, weekly at 2.0 p.m. (except last Friday in each month)
"	Westway, Eastfield	2nd Tuesday each month at 2.0 p.m.

INFANT WELFARE CENTRES

Scarborough	Roscoe Rooms, Roscoe Street	Monday and Thursday weekly, 2.0 p.m.
"	Westway, Eastfield	Monday and Wednesday weekly, 2 p.m.

ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC

Scarborough	The Old Hospital, Friarsway	1st and 3rd Friday by appointment
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DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION CLINICS

Scarborough	Roscoe Rooms, Roscoe Street	2nd and 4th Tuesday in each month, 10 a.m.
"	Westway, Eastfield	1st Tuesday in each month, 10.30 a.m.

Name of Clinic	Place where held	Day and Time of Meeting
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# TODDLERS' CLINIC

Scarborough	Roscoe Rooms, Roscoe Street	Thursday weekly, 9.30 a.m. to 11 a.m.
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## SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

# MINOR AILMENTS CLINICS

Scarborough	Old Hospital, Friarsway	Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.
"	Northstead School	Wednesday weekly, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.
"	Hinderwell School, Seamer Road.	Thursday weekly, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.
"	Westway, Eastfield	Wednesday morning, weekly.

# DOCTORS' SPECIAL SESSIONS

Scarborough	Old Hospital, Friarsway	Monday weekly, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Wednesday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
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# OPHTHALMIC CLINIC

Scarborough	Old Hospital, Friarsway	Monday weekly by appointment only. 10.30 a.m.
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# CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC

Scarborough	Old Hospital, Friarsway	Thursday weekly, by appointment only.
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# DENTAL CLINICS

Scarborough	Old Hospital, Friarsway	Monday to Friday by appointment only.
"	Westway Clinic, Eastfield	Wednesday weekly by appointment only.

# SPEECH CLINIC

Scarborough	Old Hospital, Friarsway	By appointment.
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# PAEDIATRIC CLINIC

"	"	"	"
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# ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC

"	"	"	"
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Name of Clinic	Place where held	Day and Time of Meeting
<b>REMEDIAL EXERCISES</b>		
Scarborough	Old Hospital, Friarsway	Tuesday and Friday weekly, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.
"	Westway Clinic, Eastfield	Thursday afternoon by appointment.

N. B. Bank Holidays excepted in all cases.

### Domiciliary Midwifery and Home Nursing

Seven nurses were employed full-time and three part-time in the Borough by the County Council on Home Nursing duties. Two whole-time midwives and two combined duties nurses (i.e. midwifery and home nursing) were also employed full-time.

### Health Visiting

Seven whole-time Health Visitors/School Nurses operated in the Borough, their duties including visiting children from the age of 2 weeks until 15 years of age. A steadily increasing proportion of their time is spent in the care of the aged. In addition they attend the various clinics, follow-up notifications of infectious diseases, investigate social conditions relating to applications for service of Home helps, boarding out of children or adoption of children. A nurse is also employed part-time for the domiciliary visiting of diabetic patients.

There is also a specially experienced Health Visitor provided for the visitation at home of tuberculosis patients. This Health Visitor also undertakes duty at the Chest Clinics.

### Home Help Service

Home helps are available (on application supported by medical evidence) to render temporary assistance in the homes of applicants in the following categories viz:-



- (i) Women having domiciliary confinement;
- (ii) Persons requiring help because of sickness or pregnancy of housewife or her absence in hospital;
- (iii) Other cases of acute illness, particularly of children where there is a number of healthy children to be cared for, and
- (iv) Aged persons or chronic sick persons who are unable to obtain admission to hospital.

### Ambulance Service

An Ambulance Depot (open day and night) is maintained at Dean Road, Scarborough, where Ambulance Service facilities are available on request by Hospital Medical Staff, General Practitioners, Police Officers and, in cases of sudden emergency, members of the public.

### After-care of Tuberculosis and other illnesses

By arrangement, the Scarborough and District Council of Social Service provides, on behalf of the North Riding County Council, after-care facilities for tuberculosis patients as well also for those suffering from other illnesses.

Additional bedding, clothing, etc., can be provided and loan of sick room equipment obtained, on recommendations by doctors and/or district nurses.

### Blood Transfusion Sessions

Roscoe Rooms Clinic is made available for use by the National Blood Transfusion Service during the year by permission of the County Council. In 1963 sessions were held on 17 days.

### Family Planning Association

The Scarborough Family Planning Clinic hold sessions at Roscoe Clinic on the first two and the last Thursday evenings in each month. The premises are made available to the Association by the County Council.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR**  
**THE YEAR 1963.**

I have pleasure in submitting my ninth Annual Report on the work of the Public Health Inspectors.

Mr. A. Morgan left the Department in October on being appointed Additional Inspector for the Hitchin U.D.C., and the vacancy was not filled during the year.

Noteworthy legislation coming into force included the Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963, which became operative on 1st October to ensure the proper inspection of all home-killed meat. Stamp marking of inspected meat was called for, and local authorities were empowered to make a charge for inspections. The Scarborough Council decided to charge the maximum fees laid down in the Regulations, viz. 2s. 6d. per beast, 9d. per calf or pig, and 6d. per sheep or lamb.

**SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS MADE OF VARIOUS PREMISES DURING 1963.**

				<u>Number of visits</u>
Accumulations	...	...	...	152
Animals and Birds	...	...	...	81
Caravan sites	...	...	...	31
Cinemas, etc.	...	...	...	4
Common Lodging Houses	...	...	...	36
Drains (choked or defective)	...	...	...	434
Dirty or verminous premises	...	...	...	66
Factories (with mechanical power)	...	...	...	291
"    (without mechanical power)	...	...	...	19
Houses (for repair and other unsatisfactory conditions under Health and Housing legislation)				1,415
Infectious Disease	...	...	...	21
Interviews with owners, builders, etc.				735
Merchandise Marks Act	...	...	...	430



				<u>Number of visits</u>
Miscellaneous matters	...	...	...	266
Offensive smells	...	...	...	126
Offensive trades	...	...	...	103
Overcrowding	...	...	...	7
Pavings - Yards and Passages	...	...	...	291
Piggeries and Stables	...	...	...	18
Shipping and Fish Piers	...	...	...	137
Shops Act (sanitary arrangements)	...	...	...	195
Smoke observations	...	...	...	10
Boilerhouse & c. inspections	...	...	...	21
Vermin - Rats and Mice (special investigations)	...	...	...	120
"    - Other than Rats and Mice	...	...	...	114
Waste Food Order	...	...	...	18
Water Supply	...	...	...	1
Number of general complaints received and investigated	...	...	...	325
Number of drains tested	...	...	...	193
Number of disinfections after infectious disease	...	...	...	5 premises
Number of disinfestations of verminous premises	...	...	...	54 premises

#### NOTICES SERVED

Statutory Notices (Public Health Acts)	...	...	38
Informal Notices (Public Health Acts)	...	...	365
"    "    (Factories Acts, 1937-1959)	...	...	4
"    "    (Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949)	...	...	6
"    "    (Clean Air Act)	...	...	7
"    "    (Housing Act - Overcrowding)	...	...	4



## **ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH UNSATISFACTORY HOUSING CONDITIONS.**

1,415 visits were made under the Housing and Public Health Acts to houses in proposed Clearance Areas, other unfit houses (for repair, closure or demolition) and where application had been made for Improvement Grants.

### **Clearance and closure procedure**

The Paradise Row C.P.O. (5 houses) was confirmed, and the tenants were rehoused. The houses were demolished.

The Lancaster Street Clearance Area (7 houses) was inspected by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and was confirmed. Rehousing of some of the tenants took place during the year.

The demolition of the properties in the Whitehead Hill C.P.O. (10 houses), the St. Sepulchre Street C.P.O. (12 houses) and the Mill Yard Clearance Area (8 houses) was completed.

Sixteen unfit houses were represented individually, and 6 families were rehoused. Six houses, subject to Closing Orders, were thoroughly repaired and reconditioned and the Orders revoked.

### **House repair and improvement procedure.**

The survey of houses continued during the year, houses in certain streets being systematically inspected as to condition of repair. Notices were sent to owners where defective structural conditions were found, and all owners were informed of the Improvement Grant procedure in the cases of houses which were found to be lacking in the required amenities-- a bathroom with bath, washbasin, internal water closet, hot water installation and a foodstore.

Houses in Beaconsfield Street, Seamer Road, Norwood Street, Roscoe Street, Hoxton Road and Oxford Street were inspected and the following is a summary of the Survey to the end of the year:-

Number of houses inspected	254
"        "        "    in some disrepair	33
"        "        "    lacking Grant amenities -	65

In addition, 102 houses, which were the subject of application for Improvement Grants, were inspected.

Twenty-eight of these, requiring repair, were brought up to a satisfactory standard by the end of the year, the remainder being in good structural condition.

Notices were sent in respect of 20 lettings in seven houses-in-multiple-occupation.

66 complaints regarding miscellaneous items of disrepair and dampness were investigated. The following is a summary of action taken under the repairs sections of the Public Health and Housing Acts:-

No. of notices issued	140
"        "    houses made fit by informal action -	87
"        "        "        "        "        "        "    statutory action -	2

### OVERCROWDING

During the year, seven cases of overcrowding were investigated.

Two families were re-housed by the Corporation; three families found other houses, and two cases were outstanding at the end of the year.

Four notices to abate overcrowding were served during the year.

## RENT ACT, 1957.

No applications for Certificates of Disrepair were made during the year.

## FOOD HYGIENE

Routine inspection of food premises was again undertaken, and many improvements carried out during the year. Forty-four complaints involving food and conditions at food premises were investigated, and seven complaints regarding conditions at boarding houses &c. were dealt with.

It was not found necessary to take any statutory action.

### SUMMARY OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF FOOD PREMISES IN THE BOROUGH ON DECEMBER 31ST

	<u>Number</u>
Bakehouses . . . . .	32
Beer Bottling . . . . .	2
Cafes, Restaurants and Canteens . . . . .	186
Confectionery . . . . .	58
(R) Dairies, other than Pasteurising Plants . . . . .	1
(R) Pasteurising Plants . . . . .	1
(R) Milkshops (including Depots) . . . . .	119
Fried Fish Shops . . . . .	35
Wet Fish and Shellfish Shops . . . . .	34
(R) Fish Curer . . . . .	1
Greengrocers - retailers . . . . .	71
- wholesalers . . . . .	7
Grocers - retailers . . . . .	129
- wholesalers . . . . .	6
(R) Ice Cream Manufacturers . . . . .	6
(R) " " Shops (retail sale) . . . . .	224
(R) " " Depots (wholesale) . . . . .	3



Licensed Premises	...	...	...	97
(R) Meat Shops (Retail sale and registered for manufacture of sausages and/or cooked meats)				65
Soft drinks manufacturers	...	...		2
Sweets and Rock Makers	...	...		6
Sweet Shops (including wholesalers)				114
Miscellaneous (Candy Floss, Waffles, &c.)				5
(R) - Registered Premises.				

#### WORK DONE IN CONNECTION WITH FOOD PREMISES

##### (a) Number of inspections made:-

Bakehouses	...	...	...	123
Cafes, Restaurants and Canteens	...	...		523
Dairies and Milkshops	...	...		65
Fried Fish Shops	...	...	...	57
Wet Fish and Shell Fish Shops	...	...	...	36
Grocers	...	...	...	184
Hotels and Boarding Houses	...	...	...	297
Ice Cream Premises	...	...	...	190
Licensed Premises	...	...	...	40
Meat Preparation Premises and Shops			...	246
Other Food Premises	...	...	...	163
Total Inspections				<u>1,924</u>

##### (b) Number of notices served and complied with:-

The Food Hygiene Regulations: 95 notices served.  
76 notices complied with.

#### SUPERVISION OF THE MILK SUPPLY

On March 29th, the Woodlands Dairy, Sherwood Street, ceased to operate as a milk pasteurising establishment, the business being taken over by Northern Dairies Ltd., with pasteurising plants at Hull and Bridlington.

Number of Pasteurising Plants (on 31st December)	1
" " other Registered Dairies	1
" " Milkshops (for sale of graded bottled milk)	106
" " inspections made of above premises	65
" " notices served under the Milk and Dairies Regulations	1

SAMPLES OF MILK TAKEN FOR BACTERIOLOGICAL AND OTHER EXAMINATIONS

No. of samples taken	Designation of milk	Results	
12	Tuberculin tested	Satisfied Meth. Blue Test	10
		Failed	2
75	Pasteurised	Satisfied Tests	73
		Failed	
		Phosphatase Test	1
		Failed Methylene Blue Test	1
7	Sterilized	Satisfied Test	7

12 samples of milk were submitted for Biological examination and were found negative for Tuberculosis and Brucella Abortus.

Appropriate action was taken in all cases where examination revealed any deficiency.

FOOD AND DRUGS SAMPLING

The following samples were taken and submitted to the Public Analyst for analysis under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, and the Food Orders.

ARTICLE	Number reported as		TOTAL
	Genuine	Not genuine or below standard	
Apricots (canned -sugarless)	1	-	1
Beef Steaklet	1	-	1
Biscuits (starch-reduced)	1	-	1
Butter	1	-	1
Christmas Pudding	1	-	1
Cream (tinned)	2	-	2
Cough Mixture	1	-	1
Evaporated Milk	1	-	1
Fish Cakes	-	1	1
Ground Rice	1	-	1
Ice Cream	6	-	6
Jam	1	-	1
Jellies	3	-	3
Lemon Curd	1	-	1
Margarine	1	-	1
Marzipan	1	-	1
Milk	73	1	74
Parsley	1	-	1
Pepper	1	-	1
Rice Pudding (canned)	1	-	1
Soft Drinks	5	1	6
Stewed Steak	1	-	1
Vinegar	1	-	1
Vitamin Drink	1	-	1
TOTALS	107	3	110

The deficiencies reported were as follows:-

Fish Cakes - fish content slightly below standard  
 Milk - fat " " " "  
 Soft Drinks - " quinine deficiency in Quinine Tonic Water.



Warnings were given in these cases.

It was necessary to take Court action in respect of a bottle of milk containing extraneous matter. A fine of £10 was imposed on the firm involved.

The following foods were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory Service for examination for food poisoning organisms, and were found to be satisfactory:-

Frozen egg	-	5
Egg White	-	1

#### SUPERVISION OF THE MANUFACTURE AND SALE OF ICE CREAM

Six premises are registered for the manufacture of ice cream. 208 inspections were made of these and retail shop premises, and samples were taken to ensure compliance with Ministry standards.

Chemical standard (fat, milk solids and sugar)

Number of samples taken and complying with standard	...	...	...	...	7
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Bacteriological standard (Methylene Blue Test)

Number of samples which satisfied the Test (Grades 1 and 2)	....	...	...	...	113
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Number of samples which failed to satisfy the test (Grades 3 and 4)	...	...	...	9
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In the case of adverse reports, investigations as to the cause of failure were made immediately.

#### INSPECTION OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Meat inspection work at the Slaughterhouse continued to occupy full-time duty for the Inspectors, working on a rota basis. The amount of work done is shown in the following table:-

CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed and inspected	3,467	264	386	12,260	6,812	Nil
<u>ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS AND CYSTICERCI</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	4	2	3	-
Carcase of which some part of organ was condemned	663	59	6	379	690	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	19.1	22.3	2.6	3.1	10.2	-
<u>TUBERCULOSIS ONLY</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part of organ was condemned	1	1	-	-	109	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	0.03	0.38	-	-	1.6	-
<u>CYSTICERCOSIS</u>						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	11	1	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	11	1	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-



52 casualty animals were dealt with at the Slaughter-house.

Total weight of meat (carcases, parts of carcases and offal) condemned during the year - 6 tons, 2 cwts., 7 stones, 5 lbs.

Total weight of foodstuffs, other than meat, condemned - 7 tons, 9 cwts.

Condemned meat and offal are sold to a large firm of manufacturers of fertilisers and feeding stuffs, in accordance with standard practice. Livers affected by distomatosis ("flukey" livers) are collected by an approved firm for pharmaceutical purposes. All other condemned food is disposed of by the Cleansing Department on the Corporation Tip at Burniston Road.

#### SMOKE ABATEMENT (CLEAN AIR ACT AND PUBLIC HEALTH ACT)

Ten smoke observations were made under the Clean Air Act, and 21 visits made to boiler-houses. Improvements to boiler plants were effected during the year, including the conversion from hand-firing to oil-burning in one of the larger laundries.

Several notifications of intention to install new furnaces were considered.

#### FACTORIES ACT, 1961.

There are 344 factories on the Register. 317 inspections were made during the year to ensure compliance with the Act. Two contraventions were referred to the Council by H.M. Inspector of Factories.

The following tables give the information of the work done under the Act:-



# INSPECTIONS FOR PURPOSES OF PROVISIONS AS TO HEALTH

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories in which sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 & 7 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	48	19	-	-
Factories not included above in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	289	291	3	-
Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority excluding out-workers' premises	7	7	1	-
TOTAL	344	317	4	-

# CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND AND REMEDIED

(including notices outstanding at beginning  
of year)

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were: -				Prosecutions
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	-	1	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	1	3	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	35	-	2	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	4	38	-	2	-

There are three OUTWORKERS in the Borough, engaged in making wearing apparel (knitting wool).

## PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

The two rodent operators dealt with 218 complaints of infestation received during the year. 3,627 were made to dwelling-houses, business premises &c.

The Corporation Tip and allotments, and the Harbour and Piers were subject to regular inspection and baiting. The sewers in the Borough were again treated twice during the year.

The Public Health Inspectors are responsible for special inspections of premises found to be infested. They generally supervise the work of the rodent operators, taking charge where defective drains or building structures are found. Routine visits to food premises include a survey for rodents and other insect pests.

A summary of the work done is given in the following Report sent to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Number of properties	Type of property			
	Local Authority	Dwelling-houses	Business Premises &c.	Agriculture
In District	15	14,488	4,119	20
Inspected as result of NOTIFICATION	2	111	113	0
Found to be infested by common rat	1	67	70	0
" " " " " house mouse	1	31	28	0
Inspected in the course of SURVEY	13	28	52	16
Found to be infested by common rat	0	12	4	0
" " " " " house mouse	1	6	1	0
Treated by Council rodent operatives	3	115	103	0
Number of notices served under Prevention of damage by Pests Act, 1949 (section 4)-				
(a) for treatment	0	0	0	0
(b) for proofing and other structural work	0	1	5	0
Inspected when visited primarily for some other purpose	1,859 inspections of food premises under Food and Drugs Act, Food Hygiene Regulations &c.			

JOHN PESTER.

Chief Public Health Inspector.



## RIPARIAN REPORT

### Section I - Staff

Table A

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other appointments held
W. G. EVANS	Medical Officer of Health	10.2.54	M.B. Ch.B. D.P.H.	District Medical Officer of Health N.R.C.C. Divisional School Medical Officer of Health
JOHN PESTER	Chief Public Health Inspector	1. 11. 54.	Public Health and Meat and Food Inspector's Certificates	

Address and telephone number of the Medical Officer of Health and Chief Public Health Inspector )

Health Department, King Street.  
Scarborough.  
Tel. 1160.

### Section II - Amount of shipping entering the district during the year.

Table B

Ships from	Number	Tonnage	Number inspected		Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious diseases on board
			By the M. O. H.	By P. H. Inspector	
Foreign Ports	98	21,201	-	91	-
Coastwise	120	3,893	-	-	-
TOTAL	218	25,094	-	91	-

### Section III - Character of shipping and trade during the year.

Table C

Passenger Traffic	Number of passengers	INWARDS	NIL
	" " "	OUTWARDS	NIL
Cargo Traffic	Principal IMPORTS	Fish, Timber, Fertilizer, Hardboard.	
	" EXPORTS	Grain.	
Principal Ports from which ships arrive	Scottish and East Coast, Finland, Holland, Sweden, Denmark, and Germany.		

#### Section IV - Inland Barge Traffic

Number and tonnage using the district and places served by the traffic

NIL.

#### Section V - Water Supply

- (1) Source of supply for (a) the district and (b) shipping.
- (2) Reports of tests for contamination
- (3) Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes
- (4) Number and sanitary conditions of water boats, and powers of control by the Authority

Town.  
Satisfactory.

Satisfactory.

NIL.

#### Section VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1952

- (1) List of Infected Areas (Regulation 6)  
Arrangements for the preparation and amendment of the list, the form of the list, the persons to whom it is supplied, and the procedure for supplying it to those persons. Notifications sent weekly to HM Customs and Excise and the Harbour Master by post in letter form.
- (2) Radio Messages
  - (a) Arrangements for sending permission by radio for ships to enter the District (Regulation 13) NIL.
  - (b) Arrangements for receiving messages by radio from ships and for acting thereon (Regulation 14 (1) (a) and (2)). Via Harbour Master
- (3) Notifications otherwise than by Radio (Regulation 14 (1) (b)).  
Arrangements for receiving notifications otherwise than by radio and for acting thereon. Via Harbour Master
- (4) Mooring Stations (Regulations 22 to 30).  
Situation of stations, and any standing directions issued under these Regulations. Under directions of Harbour Master
- (5) Arrangements for:-
  - (a) Hospital accommodation for infectious diseases (other than smallpox) - (see Section VII) Provided by Leeds Regional Hos. Board
  - (b) Surveillance and follow up of contacts Medical Officer of Health
  - (c) Cleansing and disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles. Health Department.

#### Section VII - Smallpox

- (1) Name of isolation hospital to which smallpox cases are sent from the district.

Castle Hill Smallpox Hospital, Cottingham, Near Hull.



(2) Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance giving the name of the Authority responsible for the ambulance and the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews.

North Riding County Council - Vaccinal state satisfactory.

(3) Names of smallpox consultants available

Dr. C.W. Dixon,  
32 Hyde Terrace,  
Leeds.

Dr. J.T.A. George,  
County Hall,  
Northallerton.

(4) Facilities for laboratory diagnosis of smallpox

In accordance with Part III "Laboratory Diagnosis of Smallpox" contained in Mem. Port 21 of Ministry of Health.

### Section VIII - Venereal Disease

Information as to the location, days and hours of the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among merchant seamen under international arrangements, including in-patient treatment and the steps taken to make these facilities known to seamen.

Tuesday of each week  
St. Mary's Hospital,  
Scarborough - Males  
2.30 to 3.30 p.m.  
and 6 to 7 p.m.  
Notices displayed.

### Section IX - Cases of notifiable and other infectious diseases on ships

Table D

Category	Disease	Number of cases during the year		Number of ships concerned
		Passengers	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports	-	-	-	-
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival	-	-	-	-
Cases landed from other ships	-	-	-	-

A short account should be given of the measure taken on arrival by ship of:- (a) any cases of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever included in Table D.

There were no such cases.

(b) any suspected case of any such disease

No suspected cases.



**Section X - Observations on the occurrence of malaria in ships**

No cases notified

**Section XI - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague**

No infected or suspected ships arrived.

**Section XII - Measures against rodents in ships from foreign ports**

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| (1) Procedure for inspection of ships for rats.  | Two Rodent Operatives employed by the Corporation.  |
| (2) Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents, with special reference to rodent plague including the number of rodents sent for examination during the year. | Specimens submitted to Public Health Laboratory Service,<br>Hull -<br><br>NIL rats examined |
| (3) Arrangements in the district for de-ratting ships, the methods used, and, if done by a commercial contractor, the name of the contractor.  | Poisons - Trapping by Local Authority Rodent Operatives.                                    |
| (4) Progress in the rat-proofing of ships.   | NIL.  |

**Table E**

**Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.**

Category	Number
Black rats	NIL
Brown rats	"
Species not known	"
Sent for examination	"
Infected with plague	"

Table F

De-ratting Certificates and De-ratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year for ships from foreign ports.

No. of De-ratting Certificates issued -				No. of De-ratting Exemption Certificates issued	Total Certificates issued
After fumigation	After Trapping	After * Poisoning	Total		
HCN Other fumigant  (state method)					
- -	-	-	-	-	-

\* State poisons used and number of Certificates issued after each poison.

**Section XIII - Inspection of ships for nuisances.**

Table G

Inspections and Notices

Inspections		Notices served		Result of serving notices
Nature	No.	Statutory Notices	Other Notices	
For hygiene of Crews spaces	91	-	-	-
For defects	91	-	-	-
For vermin and conditions prejudicial health	91	-	-	-
TOTALS	91	-	-	-

**Section XIV - Public Health (Shell-fish) Regulations**  
**1934 and 1948**

Information respecting any shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the Authority stating whether they are, in the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health, liable to pollution. A report of any action taken, which should state whether any prohibited area has been prescribed, should be included.

No shell-fish  
layings.

**Section XV - Medical Inspection of Aliens**  
**(applicable only to ports approved**  
**for the landing of aliens)**

Not applicable.

**Section XVI - Miscellaneous**

Arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious diseases.

By Health Department on behalf of the Scarborough Borough Council.

W.G. EVANS.

Medical Officer of Health,  
Scarborough.

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